

<b>Number of State and Federal Inspections of Facilities in the Border Region</b> Figure 22		<b>Type of indicator</b> Response
		<b>Goal and Objective:</b> 6.3
<b>Description of the INDICATOR</b>		
<i>Definition</i>	Number of state and federal inspections of facilities in the U.S.-Mexico border region by state and year from 2001 to 2004.	
<i>Importance of the indicator/purpose</i>	Regulatory agencies may conduct inspections to verify a facility's compliance status, while companies may also conduct their own audits to ensure environmental compliance and to improve pollution prevention. Border 2012 aims to continue increasing the number of facilities implementing voluntary compliance or self-audits.	
<i>Units of measure</i>	Number per year	
<i>Concepts and definitions</i>		
<i>Coverage</i>	Yearly from 2001 to 2004 for U.S. data Cumulative from 2002 to 2004 for Mexican data	
<i>Calculation</i>	Take the reported number of inspections by state and plot in tabular form by state and by year.	
<i>Sources of information</i>	<p>The data were submitted to EPA by state and federal enforcement programs as part of their routine reporting. They were extracted for the border region based on a search of EPA's Integrated Data for Enforcement Analysis (IDEA) System including EPA's Air Facility System (AFS); Permit Compliance System (PCS); Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Information System (RCRAInfo). November 2005 Refresh. The search results reported by Abt Associates are summarized in Table 21-1.</p> <p>The Mexican data were reported by PROFEPA in May 2005.</p>	
<i>References (additional information)</i>	<a href="http://www.epa.gov/compliance/data/systems/index.html">http://www.epa.gov/compliance/data/systems/index.html</a>	
<i>Limitations of the indicator</i>	Due to the different regulatory policies and legal systems between the U.S. and Mexican governments, the information on enforcement actions, compliance, pollution reduction, inspections, and penalties as presented cannot be directly compared.	